

#### OFFICE OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT, ACADEMIC AND PROVOST

8888 University Drive, Burnaby, BC

TEL: 778.782.3925

vpacad@sfu.ca

Canada V5A 1S6

FAX: 778.782.5876

www.sfu.ca/vpacademic

**MEMORANDUM** 

**ATTENTION** Senate **DATE** April 18, 2011

FROM

Jon Driver, Vice-President, Academic and

PAGES 1/1

Provost, and Chair, SCUP

RE:

SCUP Annual Report 2010 – 2011 (SCUP 11-16)

At its April 6, 2011 meeting SCUP received for information the SCUP Annual Report for the period of April 1, 2010 – March 31, 2011. It is attached for the information of Senate.

# Senate Committee on University Priorities (SCUP) ANNUAL REPORT

For the period of April 1, 2010 - March 31, 2011

# I. Principal Responsibilities

The principal responsibilities of SCUP include:

- The operation of the system of academic planning;
- To recommend the priorities that should be attached to the central allocation of resources required to implement approved new programs and strengthen existing programs;
- To review and approve letters of intent and full program proposals for submission to the provincial degree program approval process;
- To consider and make recommendations to Senate on proposals for new undergraduate and graduate programs and the discontinuance of programs;
- To be responsible for the operation of the system of external review of academic units;
- To receive and review recommendations for the establishment and disestablishment of academic departments, research units, centres and institutes;
- To provide advice to the President on the annual operating budget, annual capital budget and Five Year Capital Plan.

# II. Meetings Held

# *2010*

- May 5, 2010
- July 7, 2010
- July 21, 2010
- September 22, 2010
- October 6, 2010
- November 3, 2010
- December 15, 2010

#### 2011

- January 26, 2011
- March 9, 2011

# III. Academic Planning

In relation to academic planning responsibilities, no documents were submitted to SCUP in this reporting year.

# IV. Programs Approved for Further Planning

SCUP considered and approved the following programs for further planning:

- SFU/ZU Dual Masters of Science and PhD degrees in Computing Science (May 5, 2010)
- Bachelor of Computing Science (July 7, 2010)
- Double Degree in Engineering Science (Mechatronics) and Business Administration (July 7, 2010)
- Honours Program in Humanities (September 22, 2010)
- Extended Minor in World Literature (September 22, 2010)
- Minor in Development and Sustainability (September 22, 2010)
- Minor in Print and Digital Publishing (October 6, 2010)
- Certificate in Speech Science (September 22, 2010)
- Certificate in Business Technology Management (December 15, 2010)
- Bachelor of General Studies in Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology (January 26, 2011)

# V. New and Revised Programs

SCUP considered, approved, and recommended to Senate the following new programs:

- SFU/ZU Dual Masters of Science and PhD degrees in Computing Science (July 7, 2010)
- Minor in Police Studies (July 7, 2010)
- Concentration in Early Modern World History (September 22, 2010)
- Post Baccalaureate Diploma in Police Studies (July 7, 2010)
- Certificate in Corporate Social Responsibility (May 5, 2010)
- Certificate in French and Education (July 7, 2010)
- Certificate in Correctional Studies (July 7, 2010)
- Certificate in Legal Studies (July 7, 2010)
- Certificate in Forensic Studies (July 7, 2010)
- Minor in Print and Digital Publishing (December 15, 2010)
- Double Degree in Engineering Science (Mechatronics) and Business Administration (December 15, 2010)
- Minor in Development and Sustainability (December 15, 2010)
- Certificate in Business Technology Management (March 9, 2011)

# **VI. Program Deletions**

SCUP considered, approved and recommended to Senate the following program deletions/terminations:

- Collaborative Major in First Nations Studies with Thompson Rivers University (July 21, 2010)
- Integrated Studies Program (October 6, 2010)
- Mathematics programs in the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (January 26, 2011)
- Statistics programs in the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (January 26, 2011)
- Extended Minor in Latin American Studies (January 26, 2011)
- Minor in Gender Studies (March 9, 2011)

#### VII. External Reviews

SCUP received external review reports and related comments, and developed recommendations for priority action items in relation to the following:

- Department of Sociology and Anthropology (September 22, 2010)
- Department of History (September 22, 2010)
- School of Resource and Environmental Management (October 6, 2010)
- School of Engineering Science (November 3, 2010)

External review updates were received from the following academic units:

- Department of Geography (May 5, 2010)
- Faculty of Business Administration (July 21, 2010)
- School of Computing Science (July 21, 2010)
- Department of Biological Sciences (July 21, 2010)
- Department of Mathematics (July 21, 2010)
- Environmental Science Program (March 9, 2011)

#### VIII. Centres and Institutes

SCUP approved and recommended to Senate the establishment of the following Centres or Institutes:

- Centre for the Study of Gender, Social Inequities and Mental Health (May 5, 2010)
- Centre for Workplace Health and Safety (May 5, 2010)
- First Nations Languages Centre (July 7, 2010)
- Vancouver Institute for Visual Analytics (September 22, 2010)
- Institute for Values in Policy and Science (November 3, 2010)
- Institute for Environmental Learning (November 3, 2010)

SCUP approved and recommended to Senate the dissolution of the following Centres or Institutes:

W.J. VanDusen Business Studies Institute (September 22, 2010)

SCUP approved and recommended to Senate the following change to the name of a Centre or Institute:

 Institute for Critical Studies in Gender and Health, to become Institute for Intersectionality Research and Policy (October 6, 2010)

SCUP approve the renewal for a five year term the following Centres or Institutes (January 26, 2011):

- Centre for Public Policy Research
- Centre for Scottish Studies
- Feminist Institute for Studies on Law and Society
- Gerontology Research Centre
- Institute for Studies in Criminal Justice Policy
- Centre for Policy Research on Science and Technology
- Institute for Studies in Teacher Education
- Centre for Sustainable Community Development
- Evolutionary and Behavioural Ecology Research Group
- Canadian Centre for Studies in Publishing
- International Centre for Criminal Law Reform and Criminal Justice Policy
- Institute for Canadian Urban Research Studies

SCUP considered the following documents for information only:

• Centres and Institutes Report 2009/10 (November 3, 2010)

# IX. Budget and Financial Issues

SCUP received regular updates and various documents in order to gain a familiarity with the operating and capital budget issues at the University, and to enable SCUP to discharge its advisory responsibilities.

Documents received for information:

- Financial Statements for the Year Ended March 31, 2010 (October 6, 2010)
- 2011/12 Budget Consultation (October 6, 2010 and March 9, 2011)

After a review of the available information in relation to the proposed 2011/12 University Budget, SCUP provided its advice to the President (March 18, 2011).

# X. Establishment of Committees

No committees were established in this reporting year.

# XI. Establishment of Chairs and Professorships

SCUP approved and recommended to Senate the establishment of the following Chair and/or Professorships:

- W.J. VanDusen Professorship (September 22, 2010)
- William J.A. Rowe EMBA Alumni Endowment Fund (December 15, 2010)

# XII. Other Matters Considered by SCUP

SCUP also considered, approved and recommended to Senate the following documents and reports:

- Change of Master of Publishing Program to Publishing Program (May 5, 2010)
- Report of SFU-Fraser International College External Review (May 5, 2010)
- Process change for Notices of Intent to SCUS and SCUP (July 21, 2010)
- Update on the Master of Digital Media program at GNWC (July 21, 2010)
- Move of the Department of Archaeology to the Faculty of Environment (September 22, 2010)
- Permission to offer Undergraduate Programming in Development and Sustainability Program (September 22, 2010)

#### XIII. Committee Memberships

# April 2010 - May 2010

J. Driver (Chair)	B. Krane	M. Pinto	K. Ross
J. Lee	J. Francis	J. Peters	T. Brennand
C. Janes	D. Van der Wey	T. Williams	W. Parkhouse
L. Cormack	N. Rajapakse	L. Copeland	C. Percival
A. Beale	G. Dow	C. Noble	K. Harding
A. MacGrotty	J. Zelezny		

S. Dench

# June 2010 - March 2011

J. Driver (Chair)	B. Krane	M. Pinto	K. Ross
J. Lee	D. Cyr	G. Chapman	T. Brennand
C. Janes	D. Van der Wey	B. Brandhorst	W. Parkhouse
D. Shapiro	N. Rajapakse	H. Wussow	C. Percival

# Senate Committee on University Priorities Annual Report 2010/11

C. Shaw

G. Dow

K. Acierno

A. Dhillon

M. Brinkhurst

S. Dench

Submitted to Senate by:

Jon Driver/

Chair, Senate Committee on University Priorities